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The House met at 11 a.m. and was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. PETRI).

DESIGNATION OF THE SPEAKER PRO TEMPORE

The SPEAKER pro tempore laid before the House the following communication from the Speaker:

WASHINGTON, DC,

January 3, 2014.

I hereby appoint the Honorable THOMAS E. PETRI to act as Speaker pro tempore on this day.

JOHN A. BOEHNER,

Speaker of the House of Representatives.

PRAYER

The Chaplain, the Reverend Patrick J. Conroy, offered the following prayer: God of the universe, we give You thanks for giving us another day.

In the final hour of the first session of the 113th Congress, we give You thanks for Your faithfulness to our Nation. There have been many struggles, many sorrows, and yet we are still here and able to give You thanks that millions of our citizens live free.

May the work of the second session issue forth to the benefit of our Nation and its citizens; and where the efforts of this Congress have fallen short, we ask Your forgiveness and the forgiveness of all Americans.

May all that is done this day be for Your greater honor and glory.

Amen.

THE JOURNAL

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to section 6(a) of House Resolution 438, the Journal of the last day's proceedings is approved.

PLEDGE OF ALLEGIANCE

The SPEAKER pro tempore. The Chair will lead the House in the Pledge of Allegiance.

The SPEAKER pro tempore led the Pledge of Allegiance as follows:

I pledge allegiance to the Flag of the United States of America, and to the Republic for which it stands, one nation under God, indivisible, with liberty and justice for all.

RECESS

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to clause 12(a) of rule I, the Chair declares the House in recess subject to the call of the Chair.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 2 minutes a.m.), the House stood in recess.

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AFTER RECESS

The recess having expired, the House was called to order by the Speaker pro tempore (Mr. MESSER) at 11 o'clock and 55 minutes a.m.

BILLS PRESENTED TO THE PRESIDENT

Karen L. Haas, Clerk of the House, reported that on December 23, 2013, she presented to the President of the United States, for his approval, the following bills:

H.R. 3304. To authorize appropriations for fiscal year 2014 for military activities of the Department of Defense, for military construction, and for defense activities of the Department of Energy, to prescribe military personnel strengths for such fiscal year, and for other purposes.

H.R. 623. To provide for the conveyance of certain property located in Anchorage, Alaska, from the United States to the Alaska Native Tribal Health Consortium.

H.R. 767. To amend the Energy Policy Act of 2005 to modify the Pilot Project offices of the Federal Permit Streamlining Pilot Project.

H.R. 2319. To clarify certain provisions of the Native American Veterans' Memorial Establishment Act of 1994.

H.R. 3343. To amend the District of Columbia Home Rule Act to clarify the rules re-

garding the determination of the compensation of the Chief Financial Officer of the District of Columbia.

H.R. 3487. To amend the Federal Election Campaign Act to extend through 2018 the authority of the Federal Election Commission to impose civil money penalties on the basis of a schedule of penalties established and published by the Commission, to expand such authority to certain other violations, and for other purposes.

SINE DIE ADJOURNMENT

The SPEAKER pro tempore. Pursuant to the 20th amendment to the Constitution, the Chair declares the first session of the 113th Congress adjourned sine die.

Accordingly (at 11 o'clock and 56 minutes a.m.), the House adjourned.

EXECUTIVE COMMUNICATIONS, ETC.

Under clause 2 of rule XIV, executive communications were taken from the Speaker's table and referred as follows:

4379. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the fifth annual report on the Prevention and Reduction of Underage Drinking; to the Committee on Energy and Commerce.

4380. A letter from the Assistant Attorney General for Administration, Department of Justice, transmitting the Department's Fiscal Year 2013 Financial Report; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4381. A letter from the Auditor, Office of the District of Columbia Auditor, transmitting a report entitled, "Audit of the District Department of Transportation's H Street Shuttle Service Grant Awards Issued in Fiscal Years 2008 and 2010"; to the Committee on Oversight and Government Reform.

4382. A letter from the Secretary, Department of Health and Human Services, transmitting the Department's FY 2011 Annual Report to Congress on the Child Support Program; to the Committee on Ways and Means.

□ This symbol represents the time of day during the House proceedings, e.g., □ 1407 is 2:07 p.m.

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